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USS Form 14151

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To:

General M. Agnew

In view of your
family history with
the background, do
you wish to handle
this?

RT

Thom -
I shall handle
this - after conference
San Diego
major old circumstances.
J. J.

of the Executive Officer

RT

Please follow up and see that Gen. Magruder talks with Gen. Donovan re 11247 from Madrid and handles as Gen. Magruder agrees to do in the attached note.

EJP

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#11217. QUERES AND ELTON TO CHESTON AND JACKPOT
REFERENCE 1ST PARAGRAPH YOUR #897* *attached*

STATE'S REFERENCE NUMBER IS AMBASSADOR ARMOUR TO
SEC. STATE #1192 SENT JULY 11, FOR ATTENTION BUTTERNORTH.
ARGUS IN SAN SEBASTIAN CONFERRING WITH AMBASSADOR TUDY.
WILL GO FROM THERE TO BILBAO AND BARCELONA AND THENCE TO
MADRID.

*St. I want - can you handle
this one*

*8/20 Gen Magruder says this
has been taken care*

*APPARENTLY #8797 (OUT 19106)

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#8797. CHESTON AND 154 TO ARGUS.

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INQUIRY AT STATE DEPARTMENT REVEALS NO CABLE SUCH AS THAT REFERRED
TO IN YOUR #11127 (IN 20095). PLEASE CLARIFY.

UNLESS THERE ARE IMPELLING REASONS NOT KNOWN TO US IT IS THE
DESIRE OF 109 THAT YOU ACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH OUR #8677 (OUT 17030),
COMPLETING YOUR PART OF THE TAKEDOWN OF 81 PERSONNEL SO AS TO ARRIVE
HERE NOT LATER THAN LAST OF AUGUST. ELTON AS PLANNED CAN PERFORM
ANY NECESSARY CLEAN-UP.

ARE WE TO UNDERSTAND THAT AMBASSADOR IS AGREEABLE TO ROBBINS
STATUS INDICATED IN OUR #8777 (OUT 17958)?

*ack by 11247 In 20900 jma
Madrid*

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#11197. ARGUS TO 109 AND CHESTON.

1. REFERENCE MY OWN STATUS AS CHIEF OF IBERIAN MISSION WITH HEADQUARTERS IN LISBON BUT WITH SUPERVISION ALL OUR ACTIVITIES IN SPAIN. AMBASSADOR ARMOUR HAS ASKED ME WHETHER YOU HAVE GIVEN FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION TO THE SUGGESTION HE CABLED TO THE DEPARTMENT TO WHICH I REFERRED IN LAST SENTENCE OF MY #11057 (IN 18378).

2. IN THIS CONNECTION, MY YEARS WITH THE ORGANIZATION AND CONVICTIONS AS TO CONTINUING NECESSITY FOR AMERICAN INTELLIGENCE SERVICE MAKE ME WISH TO SEE REORGANIZATION ON EFFICIENT BASIS BEFORE MY FINAL DEPARTURE FROM PENINSULA.

3. SUBJECT TO YOUR APPROVAL, IT WOULD BE MY INTENTION TO RETURN TO MY PRIVATE AFFAIRS AT THE END OF THIS YEAR. IN MEANTIME, AM ACTIVELY FOLLOWING YOUR ORDERS FOR SI LIQUIDATION AND WILL REPORT PROGRESS.

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#0677. 109 AND 154 TO ARGUS.

AS YOU ARE WELL AWARE, CHANGING EUROPEAN CONDITIONS AND DUDGLY REVISIONS DICTATE A FUNDAMENTAL RECONSIDERATION OF OUR POSITION IN THE IBERIAN PENINSULA. FOR THIS PURPOSE I WISH TO CONSULT WITH YOU IN WASHINGTON AT THE EARLIEST PRACTICABLE DATE. BUT FIRST I WISH YOU TO EFFECT NECESSARY ADMINISTRATIVE ADJUSTMENTS INDICATED BELOW WHICH I HOPE YOU CAN COMPLETE IN TIME TO MEET ME UPON MY RETURN FROM FAR EAST AT END OF AUGUST.

PLEASE COMPLETE IMMEDIATE TAKE-DOWN OF SI PERSONNEL PRESENTLY IN SPAIN. LIQUIDATE INTO SPANISH CURRENCY OR REMOVE USEFUL PORTIONS OF SI PROPERTY TO LISBON. CLOSE OUT ALL ARRANGEMENTS WITH LOCAL INFORMANTS WHETHER INDIVIDUAL OR CHAIN. CANCEL LEASES ON WORKING AND LIVING QUARTERS INVOLVING MONEY COMMITMENT. SINCE IN CIRCUMSTANCES IT IS NOT CONTEMPLATED FOR YOU TO RETURN TO MADRID, INCLUDE YOUR OWN QUARTERS.

IN CONSULTATION WITH LOCKWOOD WORK OUT ANY ADVISABLE REORGANIZATION PRESENT LISBON/SI SET-UP KEEPING US INFORMED OF YOUR IDEAS AND PROGRESS. YOU MAY LEAVE LOCKWOOD IN CHARGE OF PORTUGAL/SI IF YOU AND HE CONSIDER THAT ARRANGEMENT DESIRABLE.

I REALIZE IRKSOME DETAILS INVOLVED IN TEARING DOWN FOR RECONSTRUCTION BUT AM SURE YOU APPRECIATE NECESSITY AND BENEFITS IN READJUSTMENT.

TOO: 1756

14 JULY 45

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#40697. 109 TO CHESTON AND MAGRUDER, WASHINGTON. REFERENCE YOUR
#0034. (OUT 16.88) TO AMZON.

I DISCUSSED IN MAY WITH ARGUS, AS I DISMISSED AT HOME, POSSIBILITY
OF HIS ESTABLISHING HEADQUARTERS IN LISBON. NO FINAL DECISION OF ANY
KIND WAS GIVEN, AS I WAS NOT SATISFIED WITH SITUATION IN PENINSULA.
I DID TELL HIM TO CONTINUE HIS LOCATION AT LISBON FOR TIME BEING. I
BELIEVE ARGUS SHOULD BE CALLED HOME FOR CONSULTATION AND SHOULD MAKE
THOROUGH EXPOSITION OF SITUATION IN BOTH PLACES. WHEN WE HAVE ALL THESE
FACTS, WILL DECIDE WHAT SHOULD BE DONE. IN ANY CASE, BUSINESS CANNOT BE
CARRIED OUT ON SUCH SCALE AS ARGUS EVIDENTLY FEELS REQUIRED. I HAVE
NO DIFFERENT OPINION CONCERNING THAT AREA THAN THE OTHERS.

*Answers -
This is to be given
to CSC when
Gen. D. returns
being taken care of
7 J.*

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#11057. ARGUS TO CHESTON FOR 109, MAGRUDER AND JACKPOT

SECRET

HAVE GIVEN AMBASSADOR COPY OF YOUR #8567 (OUT 16299).
 HE APPROVES DECISION AND AM SURE HE WILL AFFORD ALL PROPER
 ASSISTANCE IN LIQUIDATION AND TRANSITION PERIOD. AMBASSADOR
 ASKED WHETHER ROBBINS COULD NOT BE ASSIGNED TO X-2 MISSION
 AT MADRID. AMBASSADOR IS CADLING DEPARTMENT REGARDING MY OWN
 STATUS.

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#40187. KING RELAY #79. AMIGUS TO CHESTON ONLY, SUPPLEMENTING
BY #1103.

AMBA-SADOR BARUCH EXPRESSED REGRET AT MY HAVING TO MAKE
MY PRESENT VISIT TO SPAIN AND REQUESTED I RETURN LISBON BY AUGUST. AS
HE HAS CONSULTED ME DAILY ON INTELLIGENCE ASPECTS PRESENT AMERICAN
RELATIONS WITH PORTUGAL AND COLONIES AND BELIEVE HE RELIES ON OUR
ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE IN THIS REGARD. BD/OI (SIC) HAS BEEN APPOINTED BY
COMMITTEE ON GERMAN AFFAIRS IN LISBON IN OVERALL CHARGE OF ALL FOREIGN
GERMAN OFFICIAL ESTABLISHMENTS IN PORTUGAL. ALTHOUGH PERSONALLY
FRIENDLY CANNOT ANTICIPATE ANY INTENSIFICATION MY ACTIVITIES HERE
UNTIL FINAL DETERMINATION IN WASHINGTON OF OUR FUTURE SPANISH
OPERATIONS.

AS APPROVED IN MAY THIS YEAR IN LONDON BY 109, SUGGEST
I MAKE MY HEADQUARTERS IN LISBON WITH MAINTENANCE. ABOVE MESSAGE
RECEIVED INCOMPLETELY DUE ATTIOSPHER 105. BALANCE WILL BE SENT WHEN
OBTAINED.

TDRS 1240 8 JULY 1945

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#8567. ARGUS FROM IMGRUDER AND 15.

1. WE HAVE REVIEWED WHOLE SI PROBLEM SPAIN WITH STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS AND WITH BUTTERWORTH REPRESENTING AMBASSADOR ARMOUR.

2. BUTTERWORTH EXPRESSED DESIRE ALL SI PERSONNEL PRESENTLY MADRID UNDER EMBASSY COVER BE WITHDRAWN AND WE AGREED HAVING IN MIND ALSO OUR OWN BUDGETARY CONSIDERATIONS.

3. MADRID SI PERSONNEL SHOULD IMMEDIATELY MAKE PERSONAL AND OFFICIAL PLANS TO LEAVE. WE WILL GABLE FURTHER EXPLICIT INSTRUCTIONS PROMPTLY.

4. THEIR REMARKABLE ACHIEVEMENTS UNDER TRYING CONDITIONS ARE DEEPLY APPRECIATED BY ALL HERE.

5. ELTON WILL DEPART FOR LISBON NEXT FEW DAYS TO CONFER WITH ARGUS AND EXPLAIN LATEST DEVELOPMENTS OUR WORK AS AFFECTED BY THE ABOVE DECISION AND BY OUR BUDGET SITUATION.

6. PLEASE INFORM AMBASSADOR OF THE ABOVE AND FURTHER TELL HIM THAT WARREN ROBBINS THOUGH REMAINING U. S. ARMY OFFICER WILL PROCEED TO SPAIN WITH PASSPORT AND CIVILIAN CLOTHES WITH STATE'S PERMISSION. BUTTERWORTH IS IN ACCORD ROBBINS SHOULD CONTINUE IN OSS CAPACITY AND CONCERN HIMSELF WITH THE POSITIVE INTELLIGENCE ASPECTS OF SAFEHAVEN SUBJECT MATTER.

SECRET

TOD: 2149 6 JULY 45

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#29394. SAINT. TO 106, MAGRUDER AND SAINT FROM 109. INFORMATION: ARGUS, LISBON #2547, AND SAINT, PARIS 275534.

HENCEFORTH, OPERATIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTION OF SAINT IN SPAIN AND PORTUGAL IS TO BE EXERCISED FROM OSS WASHINGTON. SAINT IN ETO MAY COORDINATE ITS ACTIVITIES DIRECTLY WITH THOSE OF SAINT IN SPAIN AND PORTUGAL WHERE SUCH COORDINATION IS NECESSARY. HOWEVER, OSS WASHINGTON IS TO BE FULLY INFORMED ON DETAILS OF SUCH COORDINATION.

ARGUS, AS CHIEF OF MISSION IN SPAIN AND PORTUGAL, IS TO BE KEPT FULLY INFORMED OF SAINT ACTIVITIES WITHIN HIS MISSION, AND HE IS TO HAVE ACCESS TO ALL COMMUNICATIONS NECESSARY WHERETO.

SAINT MATTERS OF SUCH IMPORT AS TO REQUIRE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF THE DIRECTOR WASHINGTON ARE TO BE SENT DIRECTLY FROM THE CHIEF OF MISSION TO THE DIRECTOR. THE CHIEF OF MISSION WILL DETERMINE WHAT MATTERS FALL IN THIS CATEGORY. AN ILLUSTRATION IS AFFORDED BY CABLE 2249 (IN: 13526) FROM LISBON.

OR: 1819 22 MAY 45

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#7557. ARGUS TO MAGRUDER AND JACKPOT.

BUTTERWORTH LEAVING CLIPPER TOMORROW FOR CONSULTATION WITH STATE WASHINGTON. SUGGEST YOU SEE HIM WITH HUGH WILSON WHOM HE KNOWS FOR FRANK EXCHANGES OF VIEWS ON FUTURE SI SPAIN. HE SAYS HE WILL CONTACT WILSON. CONFIDENTIALLY BUTTERWORTH'S ATTITUDE IS CRITICAL OF OUR PAST AND RESTRICTIVE AS TO DEVELOPMENT OF OUR PRESENT PLANS. HE OPPOSES CONTINUATION OF SI UNDER DIPLOMATIC COVER AND WILL FIGHT ANY SUGGESTION TO INCREASE SI OFFICIAL COVER PERSONNEL TO RENEW OUR REPRESENTATION IN CONSULATES WHICH I CONSIDER ESSENTIAL FOR EFFICIENT SAFE HAVEN WORK. HE SAYS ONLY OVERALL AGREEMENT ACCOMPANIED BY SPECIFIC DEPARTMENT DIRECTIVE CAN CHANGE HIS POSITION. RECOMMEND YOU USE ALL PERSUASIVE INFLUENCES.

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#34894. QUERES KING MESSAGE FOR RELAY TO ELTON, WASHINGTON. RE YOUR KING #27604 (OUT 13898) AND OUR KING #63.

1. OUR OWN INTERPRETATION OF MEMO BASED ON PART QUOTED WAS THAT SAFEHAVEN MATERIAL IS FOR EMBASSY ONLY. THIS IS ALSO EMBASSY'S VIEW. COPIES TO YOU ARE MERELY INFORMATIONAL AND IN NATURE OF PROGRESS REPORTS. HENCE OUR SUGGESTION THAT WASH DISSEMINATION BE CLEARED WITH OVERALL SAFEHAVEN. THIS SHOULD BE DONE THERE AND MADRID EMBASSY ADVISED AFTER APPROVAL. NOTE AGAIN THAT SI IS NOT RECOGNIZED BY EMBASSY AS HAVING ANY FUNCTION OTHER THAN GATHERING MATERIAL. ON OUR OWN INITIATIVE WE HAVE DEVELOPED AND GIVEN TO EMBASSY SAFEHAVEN INFO AND OFFERED ALL OUR FACILITIES. SI HAS NO PART IN POLICIES NOR DISCUSSIONS NOR HAS ANYONE EVER BEEN APPOINTED ON SAFEHAVEN COMMITTEE. AS WE HAVE NO OFFICIAL SECRECY OF COMMUNICATIONS EVERYTHING IS SEEN BY EMBASSY. BELIEVED DISSEMINATION IN WASHINGTON ESSENTIAL FROM EFFICIENCY STANDPOINT. AS HERE OUR REPORTS ARE FILED UNTIL SAFEHAVEN MEAD GETS AROUND TO USING THEM IN MAKING A REPORT.

2. I AM INFORMED MOST CONFIDENTIALLY THAT BUTTERWORTH IS LEAVING THIS WEEK END FOR WASHINGTON ON SPECIAL MISSION FOR AMBASSADOR AND WILL REMAIN 6 WEEKS. THIS A KING MSG. REPLY OR REFER ONLY OVER KING CIRCUIT.

TOR: 2342 15 JUNE 45

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June 15, 1945

To: General William J. Donovan
From: G. Edward Burton
Subject: Attached communications from Spain

I assume that this situation cannot be rectified except by a clear ruling of the Secretary of State or the President himself.

You have probably considered whether or not it would serve any purpose to discuss the problem with Mr. Byrnes. I imagine that you have felt it would be better timing to wait until you can take up the details of the CIA with the White House when it would be logical to discuss the jurisdiction of the new Agency and its relations with other Departments of the Government.

The practical difficulty seems to be that if you wait much longer for the appropriate moment you will have lost competent men in Spain; though there is a suggestion by Argus that under proper conditions they would return to their posts even if they had previously resigned.

I think in your place I would have a frank talk with Ed Stettinius if not before you leave then immediately on your early return.

I agree that present circumstances are intolerable both to our people in the field and to your office.

GEB

GEB FS

Carl Bonk

Time

Time

Game Comments

OSS Form 2054
(3308)

Director's Office

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Madrid, 15th May 1955.

Dear JACKSON:

Ever since I have been in Spain I have experienced difficulty in effecting a reconciliation between the work of our Mission and that of the regular diplomatic establishment. The situation of the SI Branch Mission in Madrid, which as you are fully familiar, has recently become increasingly awkward for SI personnel there.

As long as the volume of intelligence operations of a military nature from France was maintained, its importance was self-evident, and secured for our Mission sufficient latitude for its effective operation. Subsequent to the liberation of the French Pyrenees, direct penetration of forces from Spain for purposes of gathering military intelligence was abandoned.

Shortly thereafter I had occasion to confer with you and with IOB at some length as to the future of SI in Spain. This was early in September 1954. You will remember the letter addressed to former Ambassador Hayes by IOB, in which certain intelligence objectives were suggested. You will also remember that Ambassador Hayes rejected this proposal, and, after exchanges of correspondence over a two-month period, I returned to the United States in November further to make plans with you and IOB for the future work of our Mission in Spain. It was agreed in September in London and again in November in Washington, that it was of paramount importance to maintain a skeleton SI staff in Madrid in order to be in a position to reestablish an American Secret Intelligence Service at whatever future date an agreement on this subject could be reached between OSS and the Department. Ambassador Hayes somewhat reluctantly agreed to this solution.

I explained to you in some detail that such temporization could not be definitely prolonged without risking the loss to our organization of the small group which was still left in Madrid. The undermining of the spirit of initiative which results from the sense of frustration has been accompanied by the failure to be able to assure the staff of the SI Mission that at any specific time a clear definition of its functions was forthcoming. As a result, I must now forward the letter which was brought to me yesterday, by safe hand.

I am fully aware of the fact that you and your associates have done and are going to do for the State Department.

DIRECTOR, OFFICE

Argus

recognition of the proper importance of SI in neutral countries. I have kept QUERUS and 983 in Madrid informed of the progress of these negotiations insofar as I have been able from my conversations with you and LO9, and through the letters which I have received from ROYAL and ALAN. It is therefore as the result of mature consideration that the attached letters have been written, and it would be unfair to their authors for them to be considered as an abandonment of an important position before the termination of the present conflict. Rather should they be understood as a reiteration of what I have always tried to make clear: that the continued attitude of the Embassy, ranging from hostility to lack of interest, cannot but smother the enthusiasm of those who for so many months have worked so hard with so little ability to transmit the results of their efforts.

6. You will note, I am sure, that the attached letters are not letters of resignation; they are the sincere expression of people who properly resent that they are not being allowed to do the work for which they volunteered, and for which they are qualified by training and experience.

7. I have no doubt that we agree that the proper function of a secret intelligence organization is to develop and report material facts from sources which hitherto have not been, because they could not be, handled by our regular diplomatic establishments. At times there has been a tendency in some quarters to confuse the type of political and economic reporting which is normally the function of a Diplomatic Mission with the type of intelligence obtained clandestinely from those with whom diplomatic officers should properly have no contact. There have also been occasions when material which could have been gathered from the press has been reported as secret intelligence. Our SI staff in Madrid is aware of the true nature of Secret Intelligence work. Spain is one of the few countries where a form of neutrality has provided a fertile field for the experimental development of really clandestine intelligence operations; I hope this area can serve as a proving-ground for the type of intelligence activities which our Government must maintain for its information and security in the post-war world. . . If, by late July it should prove possible to establish the position of SI in Spain, I have no doubt that our present SI staff in Madrid would be eager to continue their work there.

8. You will appreciate the fact that these letters were delivered at the same time only because they could not be submitted to the person of persons at the Embassy in Madrid who have proven so unfriendly in their attitude to our organization. Before leaving Madrid QUERUS felt that he should make his own position clear to the staff. These letters were then

Argus

Jackpot

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May 12, 1945

written spontaneously and it was requested that they be delivered to me by safe and confidential hand for transmission to the proper persons in Washington. That so many reached a similar conclusion is quite natural, as they have all to a greater or lesser degree - suffered the same experience.

9. The incident which prompted these letters was the treatment of Mr. Houget by Mr. Butterworth. Mr. Houget, a special emissary of 109, visited Madrid to offer certain services to the Ambassador in behalf of our organization. Since I was not present in Madrid at the time I am not able to report in as full detail as Houget himself on the result of his conversations there. I have no doubt that Houget - from Paris - will have sent a full account to 109.

10. You will note that the letter addressed to me by 983 differs somewhat from the others in its presentation and was not intended for forwarding to Washington in its present form. Nevertheless I feel that it should go to you with the others, and I shall explain to 983 the reasons for my having sent it, as stating a position which more closely follows my own.

11. Should you deem it desirable for a personal exchange of views on the Madrid SI personnel situation I would recommend that you cable QUERES requesting that he come to Washington for a short visit. I make this suggestion as QUERES is even more fully acquainted with the day-to-day routine of SI in Madrid than I am, and because, for the present, I consider my other responsibilities to SI and X-2 in Lisbon, and to both Branches in Peninsula even for a short time while our relations with the respective Diplomatic Missions are so delicate in Spain, and in the course of such promising elaboration in Portugal.

Argus

Madrid, May 13, 1943

To: 109, 154, 128 and ARGUS
 From: 857

Certain recent occurrences make it clear that the position of S.I. Branch of *** in Spain must be reconsidered.

When the French chains were liquidated last September, and our unquestionable usefulness in that phase of the war effort ended, the Embassy, always unfriendly, began to take a much more critical view of S.I. activities. As you know, at the demand of the Embassy, all field offices were closed and personnel was drastically reduced. Censorship of communications became more severe and controls and restrictions in every direction were tightened.

The advent of Safe Haven, specifically an S.I. activity, seemed to offer possibilities for constructive work. As yet, however, no directives have been received from the Embassy, in spite of our repeated efforts to obtain them, and almost no opportunity to operate effectively in the Safe Haven picture has been given.

The departure of Ambassador Hayes and the arrival of Ambassador Armour seemed to promise an opportunity for a new agreement, or at least a new understanding, with the Embassy. In one of my first conversations with Mr. Armour, however, when I asked that this be given consideration, he stated unequivocally that he saw no reason for such action until an overall agreement between the State Department in Washington and *** was arrived at.

As of this date, no word of such agreement has been received. I do not believe that anything remotely resembling satisfactory relations with the Embassy will ever be achieved without it as a base. My belief is founded on over a year's experience and dealings with Embassy officials. During this period every effort has been made to conform with Embassy demands. There have been no untoward incidents to embarrass them. While my purely personal relations have been friendly, the general attitude not only has not improved, it has become definitely more openly hostile. The Counsellor's treatment of Lawrence Hoguet and his mission, in which he was acting as 109's personal representative, at a meeting at which the Ambassador himself was present, bears this out completely. The Counsellor's flat refusal to allow a joint report of that meeting, drawn up by Hoguet, 983 and myself, to be sent by me to Argus in Lisbon, and the following discussion -- in which ***, its purposes and some of its leading individuals, were ridiculed and held up to scorn -- is too unpleasant to detail.

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Memo to LOB, ISA, ISI and ARGUS - May 13, 1945 - Page 2.

I feel that no constructive work can be done under existing circumstances. Without reasonable freedom of action and initiative for the organization, my remaining in Spain becomes a waste of time, money and manpower. The Special Funds work, insofar as I am needed, will be in such shape by August that my presence should be unnecessary. I feel now has sufficient background to carry on with routine work during an interim period. I therefore request that by that date, or sooner, I be withdrawn from the Iberian Peninsula, and either assigned to other work or that my resignation be accepted.

In view of the close relationship in which our staff has functioned during the difficult period of these last nine months, I felt it was only fair to tell them of the step I am taking. When I did so, I found that similar conclusions had already been reached by certain other members of the staff, who have requested that their letters accompany this one of mine.

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Madrid 13th May 1945.

Dear ARGUS:

I am aware that the Deputy Chief of Mission has decided to tender his resignation. While I am in accord with the fundamental reasoning on which I understand his proposed action is based, this action has come as somewhat of a shock and makes it necessary for me to state my own attitude.

The fundamental reasoning, as I gather, is that S.I. Spain can serve no useful purpose under the present policy of the Embassy toward it; that we can do little here to change that policy; and that our organization and the State Department in Washington have failed to reach an agreement as to our functions. This reasoning is not new to me, for you will recall my own expression of it to you in 857's office on your last visit here.

We have lived in this state of affairs here for some time now, and it does behoove us to concert, by thorough discussions between all of us here, and between us and our associates at home, a solution. Pending such discussion and the result of certain other steps already taken, namely -

- 1 - PAPAYA's mission to Washington
- 2 - Bouget's reports to 169
- 3 - Arrival in Madrid of Robbins

I personally feel that the fight should go on for the ideal of a post-war secret intelligence organization and to preserve the nucleus from which such a service may be developed. For these reasons, the raising of the question of resignation now does not appear to me to be timely unless considered purely in the light of a possible effect of spurring our organization's high command to aid us. I, personally, see no more reason for me to resign now than at a half dozen different times in the past few months.

From a more personal aspect, I should not want to take such an action before having the opportunity of discussing the matter with you personally. It was you who appointed me to my position here at a time when it was quite clear to me that there would be considerable frustration in the job to be done. I accepted your appointment with my eyes open. I feel that I should give you a full discussion before I would ask to terminate my work.

To sum up clearly, I am not submitting my resignation. If, however, you should consider that unanimity on the part of the SI staff in Spain would serve as a positive statement of solidarity in supporting the demands of our Washington organization.

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For prompt reconsideration and recognition of our hard work,
tion, I should be glad to hear from you by telephone.

(signed) [illegible]

Madrid, May 12, 1941

To: ARCHES
From: KODAK

For the past several months I have watched our Madrid organization being slowly but surely pushed into almost complete obscurity by the Embassy to the extent that the sum total of our useful work here is practically negligible. This condition started with the termination of our French penetration assignment, which was, of course, our primary mission in Spain. We were, however, given to understand that our work here was not finished, that we were to focus our attention on Safe Haven, and that the State Department, together with our organization at home, would in the meantime formulate an agreement giving us a directive which would then specifically define our objectives here in Spain.

No directive has come, nor does it appear to be in sight. During the interim you and 557 have strived diligently to maintain as good relations with the Embassy as possible, with the hope that when such a directive did come into being, our staff here would be able to go ahead with the new assignment without hinderances. This, it would appear, has been fruitless, as the Counsellor and our Liaison Officer in the Embassy have become increasingly more hostile and discourteous as the weeks go by, with the result that conditions are now in such a state that they would not be tolerated I am sure anywhere else than here, and certainly not in the business world. Yet, the fact that we have been permitted to remain here without a drastic depletion of personnel, in the Madrid staff at least, is somewhat of an achievement.

As you know, I feel that there is a job to be done here, now and in the future, and one which in many ways our staff is better qualified to do than the Embassy staff. I am confident that I, personally, could contribute a great deal more to the organization than at present. Although my two years' experience here has not been specifically directed toward active SI work, it has nevertheless given me a knowledge of the people, their language and the country, to the end that my employment here could be more gainfully utilized in SI work. However, under the present conditions - the Embassy attitude toward our organization - I cannot see how the organization or I personally could do a satisfactory job, nor am I too confident that any assignment could be done successfully, even with a joint directive, unless it were accompanied by a very different approach by the Embassy towards us.

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I do feel a great sense of loyalty to you and to the organization here and at home. However, these months of waiting for some sort of agreement to be reached by the two agencies, while in the meantime every move we have made here, or attempted to make, has been criticized, censored and curtailed, has brought me to the conclusion that my salary is an unnecessary expenditure of Government funds and a waste of personnel. I therefore recommend that I be recalled as soon as practicable and either assigned to another office or that my services be terminated. Of course, if you and/or the Washington office believe that it is absolutely necessary to maintain the Madrid office and accordingly request that I remain here with the staff until such time as the Embassy-SI Office agreement matter has been definitely settled one way or the other, I shall of course consider it my duty to comply.

Madrid 14th May 1945

To: ARBUS AND ROYAL

From: BOGOTA

I am in full accord with 857 regarding the present situation here. In addition, I personally feel that the work that I originally was sent over to do is completed in this part of the world. Therefore, I hereby request that I be relieved of my duties in Spain.

As you know, for the last six months I have been in charge of the photographic department here and also doing other SI work, such as interviewing contacts. I like this type of work but feel that due to circumstances here at present, I am wasting my time while I could be of use somewhere else more closely connected with the war effort.

If a transfer is possible I would like to pass by the United States prior to accepting a new position, for, since my departure from the States my family affairs at home have changed and I now am the father of a five months old son, whom I should like to see.

I hope that you will understand my situation.

With best regards -

(signed) BOGOTA

Madrid, May 11, 1943.

Dear ROYAL:

I am not writing this as a resignation because in times such as the present I have no right to resign. This is simply an attempt on my part to pick myself out of a mental rut.

For the past two years I have been working here primarily as a code clerk, and do not hesitate in saying that I have never relished the work. Cipher is unimaginative, impersonal and mechanical. During the period of our penetration of France I reluctantly had to admit the vital importance of my task. However, since the liberation of France, due to Embassy restrictions, SI activities have dropped to a practical nil. For the past year the majority of cables have not dealt with intelligence, but rather with routine clearance of old SI matters. Not only is my work responsible for my state of mind, but also the nature of activities to which SI is confined.

For the past nine months my work has only consisted of cipher work, deliveries to and from the Embassy and part-time assignments of X-2. Since October 1943 I have been developing an intelligence group which has grown considerably, and produces regularly. It is now operating entirely for X-2, and LEGION has expressed satisfaction with my work.

I can only see three possible solutions for my present slump. If SI activities in the future are permitted to develop as they definitely should, I be assigned something other than code work. In the event that SI can only use me for cipher I be transferred to X-2 where I have already laid down some foundation, and which I have reason to believe LEGION would approve. If neither of the two is feasible I suggest I be assigned to some other post where I could attain some feeling of personal accomplishment.

My past two and a half years with the organization have made me appreciate the vital need for its permanence. I would like to continue working for it.

With my heartiest personal greetings -

(signed) Williams.

Madrid, 12th May 1945

To: 109, ARGUS & ROYAL

From: KATHY

I wish to present herewith my resignation from the SI Mission in Spain.

This action is the result of considered thought over a period of many months on the matter of the future of our organization here and of my usefulness to it. I am convinced that there is a need for our type of work on a permanent basis, and I have always believed that the Chiefs of the local Mission, all of the staff here, and the Washington headquarters could so conduct our work that the State Department and the Embassy in particular would accept us as serious-minded people trying to do a job which should be done.

In the past few weeks I have come to the conclusion that, in spite of the effort put forth in the past by our organization and in spite of whatever future effort might be made to improve conditions, the basic disdain and distrust felt by the Embassy for our organization as a whole goes too deep for any workable improvement to come about. I am not even sure that an agreement as to the scope of our work and the methods of performing it, which could appear to be to the satisfaction of both interested parties, would solve the problem, because the attitude of the Embassy would always mean the carrying out of such an agreement to the letter perhaps, but never with the spirit of cooperation and trust which should exist.

My present conclusion is based on my own dealings with our liaison Officers and the Counsellor in carrying out the routine matters assigned to me. As long as we were able to carry on our primary work of French penetration without too crippling interference, it was wise and possible to adjust to unconstructive and usually undeserved criticism and lack of respect; but when this attitude becomes more accentuated at a time when we are not permitted to do any constructive work, it seems completely unprofitable to try any longer. I believe that the Embassy is willing to have our Mission remain in Spain indefinitely without a directive as to the scope of our work, and at the cost of wasted Government expenditure and time of trained personnel, rather than to take a definite stand on the matter and subject itself to future embarrassment in the event that it might sometime be proved that we could have been useful here. For this reason I feel that I owe it to my own self-respect at least to take a definite stand.

In a way I feel a sense of personal failure at having to take this step; on the other hand, I feel that I have tried as hard as I could to do my small part in making things work. This decision has been particularly difficult one because I like Spain and until recently have found my work here interesting and

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satisfying. In submitting my resignation, I wish to reaffirm my loyalty to the organization as a whole and to the Chief of the Iberian Mission, and my continued desire to serve in Madrid, were the circumstances conducive to results proportionate to the amount of sincere effort expended, or wherever else I might be useful. I ask that my resignation be effective as soon as suitable arrangements can be made to replace me or to terminate our Mission here.

(signed) KATHY

Madrid May 18, 1945

To: 109, HOTEL and AMEMB

From: 773

When I was recruited for a position with *** nearly two years ago, the two outstanding things that attracted me were (1) that, through the collection of secret intelligence and other related activities, the organization was playing an important part in winning the war, and (2) that by the same means, along different lines, it hoped to play an equally important part in keeping the peace and preventing future wars. I have never regretted for a moment that I left a job which I had had for twelve years to come to Spain to help in the war effort then being carried on here. To have been a part of the work our group did here together was a wonderfully satisfying experience. When at the end of last August the role of the Mission in Spain in the European War Theater was ended, it was with hope that we heard there was being considered a future for the organization here, along the lines of keeping the world informed of the activities of those people who will always be the enemies of peace.

Because of that, and because I like Spain, I preferred to remain here and did not ask for another post at a time when many of our S.I. people did so and were transferred to other places. Those of us who remained in Madrid to form a nucleus for future operations were told a directive would be forthcoming which would, it was hoped, resolve our past operational difficulties with the Embassy and define our future activities.

That was nearly ten months ago. The time has been profitably spent by most of our small group in doing all the things which were desirable but not essential during the busy days of the French Registration Program when there was no time for them -- doing these things and what little else we were permitted to do under the ever-increasingly stringent surveillance of the Embassy -- and waiting for the directions from the people who sent us here.

The absence of that essential factor plus the presence of the intransigent attitude of the Embassy, now clearly manifest, culminated in a situation which to me is intolerable, from any viewpoint, idealistic, practical or personal. Affairs at home are and have been for some time in the process of conversion from war production activity to peace-time productivity. The Mission in Spain has not.

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Memorandum to 109 Royal and Army - May 1944 - Page 7

Because it is my belief that therefore the readiness of people with a degree of ability, experience and will to work for something they believe in is ended here. I ask that if the Mission in the Iberian Peninsula is to be continued, a replacement be sent to take my place. By the end of July I will have given all the aid I can to the clearing out for the record of details of past activities and shall feel free to ask that, if no other post is suggested for me, my resignation, herewith tendered on those conditions, be accepted.

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Madrid 24th May 1945

To: ARGUS

From: BUICH

I do not feel that I should present my resignation at this time.

In view of the difficult working relationship between our organization and the Embassy, there are, I understand, several resignations being submitted now. If you believe that a general resignation would produce action in Washington which would result in bettering this relationship, I shall be glad to add my resignation to the list.

I believe very strongly in the necessity of carrying on our work. I hope that our organization can be given a new lease on life, but if it is impossible to carry on as we have in the past I could place myself at almost any time with certain Spanish and American organizations in Spain which have offered me jobs. In such position I would like to carry on the work which I came here to do.

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AND HARRIS-STEINBERG DE 1007Z (IN 1007Z), PARAGRAPH 3.

CONSIDER IMPORTANT YOU HAVE NOTHING CANCELLING AS TO HIS POSITION
AS MEMBER OF EX 100000, 10100, TAKING ORDERS FROM EX CHIEF 001 AND
HISSELF.

YOU SHOULD ALSO HAVE ISSUE TO STATE THAT SOMEBODY MUST WORK AN
INTERNAL PART OUR ORGANIZATION, NOT AN EXTRA ADDITIONAL MEMBER OF
HARRIS-STEINBERG SECTION WHOSE HE WOULD GET LITTLE CREDIT FOR HIS
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RE YOUR NR 12577 (CONT 13144) RECEIVED JUNE 200. YOUR UNDER-
 STANDING OUR PROBLEMS HAS HEARTENED COMPLETE MADRID STAFF. WE HOPE
 THAT AGREEMENT BE SIGNED SHORTLY AND THAT ITS NATURE WILL AFFORD A
 FAIR AMOUNT OF FREEDOM OF ACTION IN WHATEVER TASKS THE SPANISH
 MISSION UNDERTAKES. EMBASSY IS BECOMING MORE AWARE OF NECESSITY FOR
 SI IN OUR SAFEHAVEN WORK AS IT SLOWLY INCREASES. WE ARE NOW READY TO
 DO PRODUCTIVE WORK AS HAVE BEEN LAYING GROUNDWORK SINCE JANUARY.
 SEE OUR NR 14857 (IN 14327) OPEN CABLE TO ELTON, PARAGRAPH NR 3
 IN REGARD TO YOUR PARAGRAPH NR 2. BEFORE ROBBINS ARRIVAL HERE, YOU
 WILL BE ADVISED BY ARBUS AS TO HIS IDEAS OF BRIEFING HIM.

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CASEY FROM 154.

ARMOUR HAS JUST OFFICIALLY CONFIRMED HE WANTS ROBBINS AS
EMBASSY ATTACHE; WITHIN VERY NEAR FUTURE IT IS EXPECTED STATE WILL
OFFICIALLY APPOINT HIM AND SINCE WE EXPECT USUAL DELAY SECURING VISA
I AGREE YOUR CABLE #12234 (IN 5271) OF FEBRUARY 22 THAT INACTIVATION
WOULD BE HIGHLY DESIRABLE. PROCEED WITH INACTIVATION AND CABLE
EFFECTIVE DATE. STATE WILL INFORM LONDON EMBASSY DIRECT OF ROBBINS
APPOINTMENT. INITIATE TRANSFER TO SPECIAL FUNDS ON FORM 1195A
EFFECTIVE DAY AFTER INACTIVATION. BASE SALARY \$4600, LIVING
ALLOWANCE \$1764.

TOD: 2105 29 MAY 45

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b) That the exclusive jurisdiction, authority and responsibility of the Chief of the Iberian Mission over all operations and personnel in whatever capacity attached to the X Organization or any branch thereof in the Peninsula be at that time confirmed and the Chiefs of the several branches in Washington, London and Paris be so officially informed.

* DESCRIPTION OF PRESENT SI STAFF (SPAIN):

<u>Chief of SI</u>	<u>SSS</u>	<u>Secretary</u>	<u>MINUTE</u>
<u>Code Clerk (Male)</u>	<u>WILLIAMS</u>	(does extensive operational work for X-2)	
	(Female)	<u>WITON</u>	(does occasional coding & filing for X-2)
<u>Technical: Radio, photography, etc.</u>	<u>SSS: KODAK</u>	(does work for X-2 as well as Observer, Military and Naval Attachés, also radio monitoring)	
		<u>BOGOTA</u> (assistant to KODAK)	
<u>Female Secretaries</u>	<u>KATHY</u>	(although on SI payroll works principally as secretary to ARDUS, also handles Registry pouches and files)	
	<u>VALOR</u>	(although on SI payroll, works principally as secretary to Special Funds Officer, QUORUS)	

(To get a complete picture of SI, Madrid it is essential to include:

Chief Special Funds Officer - QUORUS - who serves as Deputy Chief to ARDUS when the latter is absent and 1041 who handles all office detail, personnel, supplies, transportation, etc. Both these men are Special Funds personnel but are considered by Embassy as part of SI Mission.

Of the above QUORUS, SSS, KODAK are attaches with diplomatic status, others are clerks.

SECRET

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20 May 1948

DESCRIPTION OF PERSONNEL AT STATE (CONTINUED):

Chief of SI 1001 (Specialized financial and economic intelligence and direct state assistance)

Assistant 1002 (Special agents)

Assistant 1003 (Reporting officer, political analysis)

Staff Clerk 1004 (Also now doing secretarial work for both officers above)

Secretary 1005 (Works for 1003 and handles pouches and files)

Technician 1006 (Radio, radio set - SUSP - now resigned waiting replacement)

(In addition and considered by Chancery as part of SI Mission are:

Special Funds Officer - 1007 (Now reassigned to Germany)

Assistant 1008 (Executive and administrative, accounts and transportation officer)

NOTE: OF the above only 1001 enjoys diplomatic status as attache, others are clerks.

/s/ 1001

Distribution:

- 1 - 1001
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- 1 - Mr. William Shepherdson
- 1 - ARGUS

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USS FORM 10440

SECRET

DATE 13 June 1945

TO: Mrs. O'Donnell.

Subj: Seq. Memo from 522 to 109, 21 May 1945.

I am forwarding the attached
to you for appropriate filing.

John D. Wilson
John D. Wilson.

FROM:

SECRET

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EXT.

TO : 108
FROM : 522

21 May 1945

1. In the course of our conversation this morning I had occasion to refer to the very useful and complete coverage which our SI Service in Portugal was able to give to the Safe Haven mission in that country. We have turned over to Safe Haven reports on some four thousand firms and individuals which had some Axis interest or connection.

2. The situation in Spain is far different. The Embassy in Madrid has been extremely jealous of the prerogatives of its Economic Section in handling all Economic Intelligence materials and as a result, I am told that there is a pitifully inadequate file of pertinent material referring to the Axis and satellite industrial and commercial establishments in Spain. Many of these firms are not even listed. I attribute this to the Embassy's policy, as expressed by Counsellor Butterworth, of keeping such materials closely under the control of Commercial Counsellor Ralph Ackerman, who has a good knowledge of Spain, but inadequate staff and pre-war methods of handling his work, which does not take adequate cognizance of the new techniques and facilities which could be effected by a modern, trained and qualified Economic Intelligence service.

Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO :

General Donovan

FROM :

W. H. Shepardson

SUBJECT :

Attached Memorandum from Argus 19 April

DATE: 14 May 1945

Requested comment as follows:

The problem of our status in Spain is, fundamentally, the problem of our relations with the State Department. It is irksome to all of us to have this matter hang fire so long. The only thing for us to do (particularly those who are at a distance like Argus) is to keep our shirts on.

If S.D. comes through in principle, Armour will fall in line. If S.D. refuses, then Argus should come home, I believe: for if he is refused status in Spain, he will likewise be refused it in Portugal. We will have to make a fresh beginning, in a totally different way, and the old faces will only handicap us in the new effort.

W. H. S.

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SECRET**OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D.C.**

7 May 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL DONOVANFROM: James R. Murphy *JRM*

I have read the attached memorandum from Argus dated April 19th. I agree it is desirable to clarify general OSS-State relationships in order to improve the status of OSS representatives in all neutral countries. I do not believe such relationships will ever be satisfactory without a clearer policy directive from the State Department to its offices abroad.

However, I see no particular cause for alarm in Spain, as my information is that Mr. Armour is taking a very sensible and friendly position with respect to OSS. Further I take issue with Argus' statement that X-2 personnel are engaging in SI work or that SI personnel are engaged in OE activities. I think the two Branches have worked very well in Spain and should be able to continue effective cooperation.

I agree with the three recommendations of Argus in paragraph seven. I note that Argus proposes that he remain in Portugal "with supervision and control of OSS activities in Spain". I consider such a plan highly impractical and believe it would be much preferable for you to designate one of the present representatives now in Madrid as the senior OSS officer. This recommendation is made for three reasons:

- a) Argus' relationships with Butterworth are very poor and I know that Butterworth will not cooperate with him.
- b) It is not practical to supervise and control OSS activities in Spain from Portugal.
- c) My own opinion is that it is operationally unnecessary to have an OSS general representative in Spain at this stage.

*Mr. Murphy - For your
Comment*

SECRET

Mr. Shepardson

For your comment.

W.J.D.

10 May 1945

Director's Office

ESS Form 3054
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FROM:

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To: Mr. W. J. D. [redacted]

Col. Pfaff, 1216 Que. [redacted]

For comment.

W.J.D.

Director's Office

OSR Form 5054

(3396)

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French Letter No.

Lisbon, 19th April 1945

To: LQS

From: ARGUS

1. I have just received rather disconsolate word from QUERES in Madrid, which, after interpretation of the telephone double talk used to get this information to me, can be summed up as follows:

2. Norman Armour has received a reply from Julius B. with regard to his inquiry as to the present status of the Agreement which Norman understood to be in process of negotiation between the State Department and our Agency. Julius apparently stated that the matter was one of vast proportions, covering all areas - enemy countries, liberated countries, as well as neutral countries. No decision has as yet been reached and Norman is unwilling to embark upon a make-shift local solution of the problem of our relations with the Embassy in Madrid until such time as the Department shall have concluded the Agreement with our organization, defining our work, at least in neutral countries.

3. After the past months of frustration, which have been the lot of our entire SI staff in Spain, it comes as a cruel and almost unbearable blow to have to envisage an indefinite postponement of a satisfactory solution. You already know the type of treatment to which we have been subjected there and can readily understand that what little flame of enthusiasm is still kindled, seriously threatens to be extinguished with a prolongation of the present attitude of the Embassy staff, which runs the gamut from lack of interest to outright discourtesy.

4. I do not know whether anyone can find much of a solution of these matters at this time; possibly, all else failing, ATLAS could come to Spain with the idea of putting some pressure on Norman. Incidentally, my relations with him are, personally, of the best. He is a man who has shown great understanding of the Madrid problem insofar as it affects our work, but, quite understandably, he does not wish to take action in direct contradiction to the recommendations of his Counsellor, Butterworth, particularly in the absence of any indication of the wishes of the Department. Butterworth, who began as an improvement over the prevailing Hayes-Beaulieu-Haering opposition, has apparently fallen into the unfortunate habit of repeating the sins of the past at every opportunity,

SECRET*Argus*

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19th April 1941

and, although he admits that these instances occurred either prior to my arrival in Spain or through the initiation and action of persons outside the Peninsula, he keeps making the point that whatever understanding is reached as to our work with the Embassy, it presupposes an inter-organizational settlement independent of personal relationship. The activities of X-2, as well as those of SI, which are undertaken outside of Spain, but which affect our position in Spain, are the subjects of particular criticism.

5. Butterworth seems to have persuaded Korman of the inadvisability of the existence of two Branches - one to handle secret intelligence, and the other to occupy itself with counter-espionage problems. He has been successful to the extent of the Ambassador's insisting that I explain to him why counter-espionage agents should be doing SI work and why SI personnel are so frequently engaged in CE activities. I believe I explained this matter to his satisfaction, and have convinced myself of the real difference in intelligence directed in personam as opposed to intelligence in rem. However, for organizational purposes, should one or the other Branch set up elaborate projects in fields which lie outside of their generally-accepted competencies, it will make it much more difficult for me to justify a separation of the two services within the Embassy in Madrid.

6. I do not know exactly where this letter will reach you. I understand that JACKPOT and the Chief of X-2 are both in Europe. I had the thought that ATLAS might come to the rescue if matters cannot be worked out in Washington - this latter of course being the ideal arrangement. At all events I shall appreciate recommendations and assistance toward attaining some measure of solution in Madrid.

7. I believe the only way that SI can surmount the obstacles placed in its path in Spain is for it -

- 1 - to determine exactly what information it wishes out of Spain and how far it wishes or is authorized to go in collecting and reporting internal Spanish political, economic and military intelligence;
- 2 - to begin the prompt selection, training and dispatch of really competent private cover agents with the type of business - educational, professional or newspaper work - which would enable such persons to make a prolonged stay in the Peninsula;

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- 3 - to prevail upon the Secretary of State to secure the facilities of the Embassy in Madrid and the several Consulates for the safe-keeping and transmission by courier of sealed pouches as well as the dispatch and receipt of our own enciphered messages through regular diplomatic and consular channels, - such matters to be handled through diplomatic or consular officers especially designated for this purpose.

B. It has been my fondest wish to participate in the creation of the Intelligence Service which America so obviously needs to fulfill its continuing obligations as a great power. In Portugal we are already well on our way towards this end, and the enthusiasm of the new Ambassador will go a long way toward making our plan an effective reality. Should the clarification of the official position of SI in Spain be adjourned since die it would seriously affect the efficiency of our X-2 service there, as under the present arrangement X-2 must rely on SI agents for its real under-cover operations considered by the Embassy to be too dangerous a type of activity for X-2 to conduct while so intimately a part of the chancery and Consulates. . . . I am anxious to give it another two or three months, but rather than be a party to the failure of a mission to which I have given every bit of my energies for the past two years, I would prefer to remain in Portugal, with supervision and control of OSS activities in Spain, for such length of time as you may direct.

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P.S. Since writing the above I have received a visit from Outerbridge Horsey, who has just returned from Madrid, and who is now en route to Washington to take over the Spanish desk at the State Department in replacement of Perry George. I have told Horsey how disappointed I am to learn that no change in Madrid is contemplated until formal approval is given by the State Department to the Memorandum which our organization has presented with regard to our future activities. Horsey expressed great surprise, as he had only recently seen Norman Armour and had been given the impression that Armour was most anxious to reach a solution of our problem so that our work could develop profitably and with mutual confidence. This had been my own impression when I last conferred with Armour in Madrid. . . . I am sending the above, however, to serve somewhat as an interim report and in the hope that it may elicit further clarification of our over-all position, particularly since this may well have been affected by the recent death of the President.

Atto

San Francisco

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21 December 1944

Colonel M. D. Mann
Executive Office
MO in Spain

The General has approved the idea that you
acquaint Mr. Herman Armour with your MO plans.
However, any talks you have with Mr. Armour
should be coordinated in advance through Mr.
Hugh Wilson.

Robert Thrum
Assistant to the
Executive Officer

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Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: The Director
FROM: Deputy Director, AUS
SUBJECT: MO in Spain

DATE: 28 Dec 54

1. With the appointment of Mr. Norman Armour as Ambassador to Spain, we are most anxious to have an informal discussion on the subject of MO activities launched against the enemy from Madrid.

2. Would there be any objection to Mr. David Williamson and myself having a quiet session with the new Ambassador, explaining our aims and methods and suggesting that after he is installed in his new post that he give consideration to reversing the policy of his predecessor with particular regard to MO activities?

K. D. Mann
K. D. Mann, Colonel, AUS
Chief, MO

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HAVE HAD SEVERAL PRELIMINARY TALKS WITH AMBASSADOR AS TO OUR POSITION HERE AND HE IS CONSIDERING MATTER. I UNDERSTAND THAT RECENT CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN OUR ORGANIZATION AND DEPARTMENT WITH REGARD TO FUTURE INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES IN NEUTRAL COUNTRIES MAY THROW VALUABLE LIGHT ON SITUATION. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR DABLING / DORID SUMMARY OF ANY AGREEMENT REACHED WHICH DEFINES THE FIELD OF OUR FUTURE ACTIVITIES. AM RETURNING TO LISBON TO MEET AMBASSADOR BARUCH BUT EXPECT RETURN MADRID TO REACH DEFINITE UNDERSTANDING AS SOON AS AMBASSADOR ARMOUR HAS HAD OPPORTUNITY TO REACH HIS OWN CONCLUSIONS AS TO NEEDS OF SITUATION.

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REFERENCE YOUR #16114 (OUT 7437) RELAYED VIA KING.

AMBASSADOR REQUESTED ME TO POSTPONE DEFINITE COMMUNICATION
TO YOU UNTIL HE HAD HAD TIME SURVEY ENTIRE LOCAL SITUATION AND MY
#36 (LONDON-WASH #17474 'IN 7949') VIA KING WAS PRELIMINARY
CONFIDENTIAL REPORT FOR YOUR INFORMATION ONLY. AMBASSADOR IS NOW IN
SEVILIA AND HAVE HAD NO FURTHER CONFERENCES WITH HIM. EXPECT SEE
HIM NEXT WEEK AND WILL TRY OBTAIN HIS AGREEMENT TO PROGRAM OUTLINED
YOUR LETTER TO HAYES. IN ANY CASE WILL CABLE YOU BY REGULAR
CHANNEL AS SOON AS AMBASSADOR EXPRESSES HIS ATTITUDE TOWARDS OUR
FUTURE ACTIVITIES HERE. THIS IS A KING MESSAGE. REPLY OR REFER
ONLY OVER KING CIRCUIT.

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#16114. TO GRAVESON LONDON FOR ARBUS MADRID VIA KING CIRCUIT
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BECAUSE YOUR #17474 (IN 7549) WAS SENT BY KING SYSTEM WE
CAN NOT SHOW IT DEPARTMENT HERE NOR CAN WE SEND YOU REPLY WHICH
YOU CAN DISCUSS WITH AMBASSADOR. REPEAT YOUR #17474 BY REGULAR
CABLE MODIFYING IT IN ANY WAY NECESSARY TO CONFORM WITH YOUR
PRESENT UNDERSTANDING OF THE AMBASSADOR'S WISHES, BASED ON ANY
CONFERENCES WITH HIM SUBSEQUENT SUBJECT CABLE.

BE EXPLICIT IN YOUR STATEMENTS OF HIS WISHES CONCERNING OUR
POLITICAL ECONOMIC SPANISH REPORTS. WE DESIRE AMBASSADOR RECEIVE
COPIES SUCH REPORTS FOR HIS INFORMATION BUT CONSIDER IT ESSENTIAL
OUR WORK THAT SUCH REPORTS REACH US HERE IN ORIGINAL FORM.
PARTICULARLY DESIRE YOU SHOW AMBASSADOR COPY LETTER I SENT HAYES
FROM LONDON LAST SEPTEMBER AND REQUEST HIS AGREEMENT THERETO.

TOO: 1356

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#17474. RELAY OF KING #36. TO 109, JACKPOT AND SAINT. RELAY TO WASHINGTON ONLY FROM ARGUS.

PRELIMINARY TALKS WITH AMBASSADOR HAVE CLEARED THE AIR AND PROMISE WELL FOR FUTURE UNDERSTANDING WITH MORE INTELLIGENT COORDINATION OF OUR WORK WITHIN EMBASSY. AMBASSADOR WAS VISIBLY IMPRESSED WITH HIS VISIT TO OUR QUARTERS AND HIS RECEPTION THERE. THIS HAS BEEN HELPFUL TO US HERE. AMBASSADOR SEEMS KEENEST ON X-2 WORK BUT ALSO APPRECIATES IMPORTANCE OF SI WORK DIRECTED AGAINST ALL ENEMY OPERATIONS PLANS AND INTERESTS IN SPAIN BUT WISHES ANY INVESTIGATIONS OF PURELY SPANISH MILITARY POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS TO BE CONDUCTED UNDER GUIDANCE OF EMBASSY WITH REPORTS TO BE SUBMITTED THROUGH EMBASSY WITH THEIR APPRAISAL AND FINAL DECISION AS TO VALUE. PRESUME THESE REPORTS WOULD BE USED HERE IN PREPARING EMBASSY DISPATCHES TO DEPARTMENT GIVING US CREDIT AS SOURCE. ALTHOUGH REGRET THIS CONTINUATION OF PROHIBITION ON OUR MAINTAINING PURELY LOCAL INTELLIGENCE OPERATION CAN APPRECIATE NEED FOR EMBASSY COORDINATION AND WILL NOT OBJECT STRONGLY UNLESS SO INSTRUCTED. AT SAME TIME OUR SMALL STAFF WILL HAVE HANDS FULL DOING THE MORE IMMEDIATELY IMPORTANT JOB OF UNMASKING ENEMY ACTIVITIES. ALL THE ABOVE IS PRELIMINARY AND TENTATIVE PENDING FURTHER CONFERENCES

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AFTER WHICH SHALL REPORT THROUGH REGULAR CABLE AND POUCH CHANNELS.

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SEEMS LIKE EXCELLENT TO WORK (K) SI SAFE HAVEN WORK. AMBASSADOR SAYS HE
DISCUSSED SUBJECT WITH JACKPOT BUT PREFERS NOTHING BE DONE YET AND UNTIL
MATTER CLEARED WITH BUTTERWORTH WHEN SHALL CABLE YOU OFFICIALLY. ALL HERE
GREATLY ENCOURAGED BY PROSPECTS. PLS SO ADVISE ROYAL AND ATLAS. THIS
IS A KING MSG. REPLY OR REFER ONLY OVER KING CIRCUIT. FOR JACKPOT
ONLY: PLS EXPLAIN TO SAINT SPECIAL RULES AND LIMITATIONS FOR HANDLING
KING MSGS.

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